## Numbers to Remember

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| Emergency | 911 |
| Dispatch | 801-799-3000 |
| Sandy Police | 801-568-7200 |
| Sandy Fire | 801-568-2930 |
| Sandy Graffiti Hotline | 801-568-2900 |
| Sandy Animal Services | 801-352-4450 |
| Tip-A-Cop | 801-568-4636 |
| Crime Prevention | 801-568-7200 |
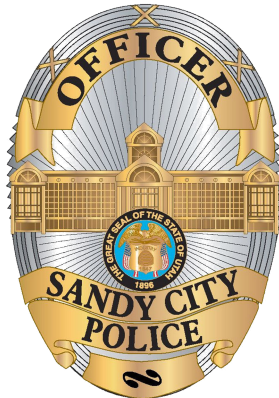
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# Crime Prevention Programs

## Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of citizens in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in communities. It involves neighbors getting to know each other and working together in a program of mutual    assistance. It also involves citizens being trained to recognize and report suspicious activities in their neighborhoods and, implementation of crime prevention techniques, such as home security, operation identification, and others.

## Operation Safe Passage

Operation Safe Passage is a program to protect children from being abducted while walking to and from school. In addition, it enhances pedestrian safety along safe walking routes and reduces opportunities for bullies to intimidate other children.

## Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)

VIPS was created to assist in the services that the Sandy City Police Department provides to the community. VIPS are highly trained individuals who act as an extra set of eyes and ears for the Police Department. They report any suspicious activity that they see to patrol personnel on shift. Volunteers are required to be on shift 8 or more hours every month and they always volunteer in pairs. To become a member of the Sandy City Police VIPS Team, you must go through an application and interview process. Those applicants chosen can expect about 60 hours of training and a 3 month probation period before the volunteer position begins.
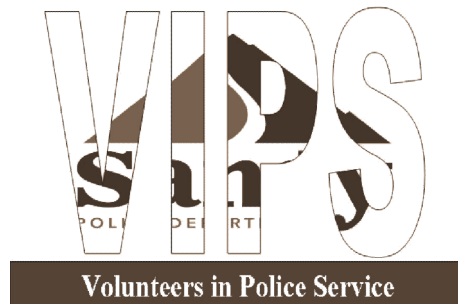
## Business Watch

Business Watch is a crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of businesses in the Sandy area in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in business communities. It    involves Sandy businesses becoming more aware of crimes that are occurring and working together to prevent them.

Business Watch is designed to improve the relationship between the Sandy Police Department and local businesses. The goal is to provide up to date and educational crime prevention materials to businesses.

## Crime Prevention Presentations

Crime Prevention Presentations provide public education, suggestions, tips, guidelines and resources to use. Upon request (with advanced notice) the Sandy City Police Department can come to schools, churches, neighborhoods, businesses, community groups etc. to present seminars on any crime prevention topic desired. Some popular topics include Identity Theft Prevention, Stranger Danger, Reducing the Risk (Women's Safety), Robbery Prevention, Internet Safety etc. These seminars are intended to educate citizens and do not guarantee safety or crime prevention in all cases.

## Landlord and Safe Community Program

Single family rentals and multi-housing properties present challenges to landlords and government agencies not seen by the average home owner

Working as a team, property management, landlords and the Sandy City Police Department cooperate together by sharing information that will effectively assist in providing a safer community to qualified renters. In addition, develop relationships between the renter's landlords and the police department.

Working together, we can reduce costs and lower crime within the rental community.

## Residential/Business Security Reviews

The Sandy City Police Department, applying principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) can offer our suggestions on how to improve the safety and security of property. CPTED addresses Natural Surveillance, territorial Reinforcement, Natural Access Control and Target Hardening. In some CPTED communities, criminal activity has decreased by as much as 40%.